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SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 600 By Crowe

A RESOLUTION to congratulate Norrell Services of Johnson City for its selection as a Department of Human Services district award winner for its outstanding support of the Families First program.

WHEREAS, one of the most innovative improvements to state family assistance programs has been the Families First program, in which job training and education are provided for able-bodied adults receiving public assistance to permit them to find employment and to get off the public assistance roles; and

WHEREAS, the success of Families First is dependent to a great extent upon the cooperation of the business community not only by hiring Families First participants, but also in helping to develop specific job training programs and by acting to ensure that those people hired will be successful on the job; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Human Services recently recognized sixteen Tennessee employers who have demonstrated outstanding support of the Families First program by helping participants make successful transitions into the workforce; and

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WHEREAS, two top state Employer of the Year Awards and two awards each for the eight DHS districts or regions were presented on Monday, February 7 in Nashville. The winners were selected from a pool of some 120 companies nominated by local Families First Advisory Councils across the state; and

WHEREAS, Norrell Services of Johnson City was one such innovative and forward-looking award recipient whose wholehearted support of Families First has helped make

Tennessee's program one of the most successful in the nation; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting that this General Assembly recognize and applaud such commitment to the public good on the part of this state's most progressive businesses; now, therefore.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIRST GENERAL

ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

CONCURRING, That we congratulate Norrell Services of Johnson City upon receiving a district Employer of the Year Award for its outstanding support of the Families First program, and thank everyone affiliated with the company for their continued commitment to success and economic independence for their program participants.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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